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Healthy Youth Survey

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What Is The Program Description?

In Fall 2008, the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI), the Department of Health (DOH), the Department of Social and Health Services' Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR), and Department of Commerce conducted a survey to measure adolescent health behaviors and related risk and protective factors among Washington's students in Grades 6, 8, 10, and 12 in public schools.

The results of the 2008 HYS provided crucial information to school officials, health professionals, human service agencies, policymakers, and parents as they work together to ensure the health of young people across the state. They also provided needs assessment data for program planning and offered a global look at the effectiveness of statewide prevention and health promotion initiatives based on direction provided by federal and state initiatives.

What Populations Are Served/ Who Is Eligible For These Services?

Washington State Public School Student's in Grades 6, 8, 10, and 12.

How Many People Are Served During The Biennium?

Approximately 300,000 students are surveyed, then the results of the survey are used to provide direction for prevention planning and health promotion for all students in Washington state.

What Is The Biennial Funding Amount and Source(s)?

The funding sources are the General Sate Funds \$100,00, Federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant of \$35,000, State Incentive Grant \$10,000 and Reducing Underage Age Drinking Block Grant \$10,000.

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What Would Be The Impact If This Program Was No Longer Available?

Without this survey, important needs assessment data for program planning would not be available. There would not be a process to determine the effectiveness of statewide prevention and health promotions initiatives and determine our compliance with the wide range of education and health-related goals at the federal and state levels.

What Agencies Collaborate With DASA To Deliver These Services?

Collaboration occurs with CTED, DOH, OSPI, FPC, LCB and DBHR.

What Are The Sources For Program Data or More Information?

Washington State Survey of Adolescent Health Behaviors Analytic Report prepared by RMC Research Incorporation.